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HAS THE ACTIVE SUPPORT OF MAYOR FERRE AND CONGRESSMAN
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2. THIS EVENT IS ONE OF A SERIES OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS CONFERENCES BEING CO-SPONSORED BY THIS BUREAU IN CITIES THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES. THEY ARE AN IMPORTANT BUREAU VEHICLE FOR INCREASING WORKING LINKAGES BETWEEN

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6. FOR CARACAS FYI: MIAMI MAYOR FERRE MET WITH PRESIDENT PEREZ A FEW MONTHS AGO AND ASKED HIM IF HE WOULD LIKE TO BE A SPEAKER AT THE CONFERENCE. THE PRESIDENT EXPRESSED HIS CONCERN OVER THE THREAT OF CUBAN TERRORISTS IN MIAMI AD FELT THAT HE WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO ATTEND. END FYI.

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